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SUBJ: GOB REQUEST FOR US ASSISTANCE TO DISASTER SEMINAR  
IN BARBADOS

REFS: (A) BTN 0243 (B) STATE 42698 (C) STATE 126321

1. MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF BARBADOS HAS REQUESTED  
BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE THAT "DISASTER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
BRANCH OF THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSIST IN  
ORGAINIZING AND STAGING A ONE-WEEK DISASTER SEMINAR IN  
BARBADOS" TO EXTEND THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE OBTAINED  
BY ATTENDANCE OF BARBadian DELEGATE TO WASHDC CONFERENCE  
IN JUNE (REF C). DIPNOTE REQUESTS THAT SEMINARE BE HELD  
..."PREFERABLY DURING THE PERIOD NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER  
1975, IN ORDER THAT THE PARTICIPANTS MAY HAVE AS MUCH  
TIME AS POSSIBLE TO ADJUST OR REORGANIZE THE PREPAREDNESS  
SYSTEM OF THEIR INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE  
NEXT HURRICANE SEASON", AND SUGGESTS THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE  
MADE FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF OTHER INTERESTED CARIBBEAN  
COUNTRIES WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO LIKE DANGERS.

2. IF DEPARTMENT /AID APPROVAL AND SUPPORT FOR SEMINAR IS  
DEEMED FEASIBLE, MINEXTAFF SUGGESTS THAT REPS OF AID, THE  
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HEAD OF THE TRAINING DIVISION OF THE PRIMIN'S OFFICE AND THE

CHAIRMAN OF THE BARBADOS CENTRAL EMERGENCY RELIEF ORGANIZATION HOLD "ONE OR TWO PLANNING SESSIONS OF TWO TO FOUR DAYS EACH IN BARBADOS, IN ADVANCE OF THE SEMINAR." MINEXTAFF ALSO OFFERS TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING: "(A) LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORT THROUGHOUT THE SEMINAR; (B) A MEETING PLACE WITH ROOMS FOR WORKING GROUPS AND SEMINAR ADMINISTRATION; (C) SECRETARIAL SERVICE; (D) PUBLIC RELATIONS THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICE."

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WE FEEL THAT PROPOSED SEMINAR WOULD BE HELPFUL TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS EFFORTS IN BARBADOS AND ELSEWHERE IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN AND REQUEST DEPARTMENT ADVISE WHETHER, AND TO WHAT EXTENT AID WOULD SUPPORT SUCH A SEMINAR.  
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